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**24/7 WINTER SHELTER ACCESS FOR HOMELESS DURING EXTREME WEATHER CONDITIONS**

Los Angeles County has been forecasted to have a number of storms in the next week and with the winter season approaching, there is a likelihood of more rain over the next several weeks.

Our providers give those who are experiencing homelessness a safe, warm shelter with food and comfort during the winter season. While the standard operating period for the winter shelter program is from December 1 through February 28, due to the fact that we are seeing weekly storms in October, it is essential that we prepare to have shelters open to those who are in need.

~~Opening a 24/7 shelter in all eight service planning areas (SPAs) for up to ten days prior to December 1 would cost a maximum of \$260,000. The criteria for opening the shelters would be based on one or more of the following: (1) low temperature forecast of 45 degrees Fahrenheit or below; (2) 40 percent chance or greater of rain or thunderstorms; (3) high wind advisory.~~

Opening three Augmented Winter Shelters for up to ten days prior to December 1 would cost a maximum of \$269,000. The criteria for making a determination to open the Augmented Winter Shelters at the Athens Park, Bassett Park, and/or the Castaic Sports Complex sites are set forth by the Los Angeles County Augmented Winter Shelter Program;

1. National Weather Service (NWS) forecast predicts one inch of rain in 24 hours

2. NWS forecast predicts three or more consecutive days of ¼ inch of rain, accompanied by temperatures at or below 50 degrees

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3. County Health Officer issues a Cold Weather Alert (three days of low daytime temperatures accompanied by night wind chill temperatures of 32 degrees or less)

4. NWS issues a flood watch or warning for areas known to contain homeless encampments

5. Conditions not previously identified, but for which it would be prudent to do so based upon critical need.

~~WE, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors direct the Chief Executive Officer, in coordination with the Director of the Homeless Initiative, and the Office of Emergency Management, to identify \$260,000 in one time funds and allocate to the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority, if necessary through a budget adjustment, to open 24/7 winter shelters in all eight SPAs during torrent conditions listed above.~~

WE, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors direct the Chief Executive Officer, in coordination with the Director of the Homeless Initiative, and the Office of Emergency Management, to identify \$269,000 in one time funds and allocate to the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority, if necessary through a budget adjustment, to open 24/7 Augmented Winter Shelters in Athens Park, Bassett Park and the Castaic Sports Complex if weather conditions meet the criteria listed in the Augmented Winter Shelter Program.

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